

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE

Voting Members:

Tommy Waters, Chair; Heidi Tsuneyoshi, Vice Chair;
Carol Fukunaga, Joey Manahan, Ron Menor

Committee Meeting Held
July 16, 2020

Honorable Ikaika Anderson
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Public Safety and Welfare, which considered
Resolution 20-146 entitled:

**"RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL BRODERICK
TO SERVE ON THE POLICE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF
HONOLULU,"**

introduced on June 9, 2020, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to confirm the appointment of Michael Broderick to serve on the Police Commission of the City and County of Honolulu. The Mayor has requested Council confirmation of the appointment of Mr. Broderick through Mayor's Message No. 68, dated June 8, 2020.

A public hearing on the appointment was held on July 8, 2020.

Mr. Broderick provided background information about himself and expressed his willingness to serve on the Police Commission, and responded to questions from members.

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At your Committee's meeting on July 16, 2020, former Chief Justice Ronald Moon, and former Associate Justice Steven H. Levinson, of the Hawaii Supreme Court; former United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, Florence T. Nakakuni; Micah A. Kane of the Hawaii Community Foundation; and Maile Meyer, all testified in support of Mr. Broderick's appointment.

Your Committee received written testimony in support of the Resolution from the Hawaii Community Foundation and six individuals.

No testimony was received in opposition to the Resolution.

Chair Emeritus Menor asked Mr. Broderick about areas he would like to work on as a member of the Police Commission. Mr. Broderick indicated that he is very familiar with the duties and powers of the Police Commission and noted that he would review and make recommendations to the Mayor regarding the budget, as well as review and make recommendations to the Chief of Police, regarding the goals and objectives of the Honolulu Police Department ("HPD"). Mr. Broderick also indicated the importance of the Police Commission's authority in its annual review of the Chief of Police, as well as its ability to review the rules and regulations of the administration of the HPD. Substantively, Mr. Broderick expressed support for ongoing efforts at HPD to improve, and supports initiatives such as implicit bias training and de-escalation training.

Committee Chair Waters asked Mr. Broderick to respond to some of the frustrations expressed by current and former Police Commissioners and how he would approach and address these concerns differently. Mr. Broderick recognized that the Police Commission does not have policymaking authority or final authority over many actions of the Chief of Police, and indicated that certain issues may warrant a closer review of the Charter. Mr. Broderick however, expressed reservation in coming to any conclusions until he has an opportunity to serve on the Police Commission and examine those concerns and explore those issues more closely.

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Mr. Broderick also indicated support for the HPD's review of its 'Use of Force' and 'Body Worn Camera' policies, as well as support for treating law enforcement officers like other civil service (public) employees, subject to similar disclosures of misconduct.

Your Committee finds that Mr. Broderick meets all qualifications required to serve as a member on the Police Commission.

Your Committee on Public Safety and Welfare is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 20-146 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Fukunaga, Menor, Tsuneyoshi, Waters – 4; Noes: None; Excused: Manahan – 1.)

Respectfully submitted,



Committee Chair

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